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#### **DIVISION OF CITIZENS SERVICES**

Department of Housing & Community Development

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## Department of Housing & Community Development <u>Cancels</u> Celebration of Full Home Replacement for Ijamsville Family

FREDERICK, MD – The "New House Ceremony" scheduled for March 1 has been cancelled due to concern about thunderstorms predicted by the National Weather Service.

The ceremony was planned to celebrate completion of the Snowden family's replacement home located at 3760 Green Valley Road, Ijamsville, Md., a project funded by a State of Maryland program and administered locally by the Frederick County Department of Housing and Community Development.

### **County Executive Jan Gardner issued this statement about the project:**

"Our community does great things when we work together. This beautiful new home is testimony to the county working with our federal and state partners and private contractors to provide a warm and safe home for the Snowdens, who applied for the State Special Loan Program based on challenging circumstances they were facing.

"I want to thank our local businesses and the Frederick County Building Industry Association for generously donating their time and resources to make this home a reality. As a result of such public and private sector collaboration, the overall cost of the project for removing the old, unsafe house and bringing a new home to this site was less than \$200,000. I join with our partners in saying, 'Welcome home' to the Snowden family!"

To view a video created by the county's Video Services team showing the project from beginning to end, visit: <a href="https://youtu.be/-PPrWEn9Z0A">https://youtu.be/-PPrWEn9Z0A</a>.

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